AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following claim set replaces all prior versions of the claims.

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Withdrawn) A method for detecting milk allergens wherein a monoclonal antibody recognizing native milk allergens and a monoclonal antibody recognizing denatured milk allergens are used in combination.
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 2, wherein the monoclonal antibody recognizing native milk allergens and/or denatured milk allergens is an anti-αs1 casein monoclonal antibody.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 4, wherein the anti-αs1 casein monoclonal antibody recognizes a native αs1 casein, an urea-treated αs1 casein, a native sodium casein and a denatured sodium casein.
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 4, wherein the anti-αs1 casein monoclonal antibody is the anti-αs1 casein monoclonal antibody Pas1CN1 produced by hybridoma (FERM ABP-10263) and/or the anti-αs1 casein monoclonal antibody Pas1CN2 produced by hybridoma (FERM ABP-10264).
- 8. (Canceled)

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9. (Withdrawn)The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 2, wherein the monoclonal antibody recognizing native milk allergens and/or denatured milk allergens is an anti-β-lactoglobulin monoclonal antibody.

- 10. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 9, wherein the anti- β -lactoglobulin monoclonal antibody recognizes a native β -lactoglobulin, an urea-treated β -lactoglobulin, and a reduced-carboxymethylated β -lactoglobulin.
- 11. (Withdrawn)The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 9, wherein the anti- β -lactoglobulin monoclonal antibody P β GL1 produced by hybridoma (FERM ABP-10281) and/or the anti- β -lactoglobulin monoclonal antibody P β GL2 produced by hybrimodma (FERM ABP-10282) and/or the anti- β -lactoglobulin monoclonal antibody P β GL3 produced by hybrimodma (FERM ABP-10283).

12. (Canceled)

13. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting milk allergens according to claim 2, wherein a casein and/or a whey protein is extracted with the use of urea and 2-mercaptoethanol from a sample.

14-102. (Canceled)

- 103. (Currently amended) A method for detecting albumen allergens in a sample, wherein a denatured albumen allergens in the sample are detected by sandwich ELISA using two types of anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody antibodies, a first and a second monoclonal antibody, recognizing native albumen allergens a reduced carboxymethylated ovalbumin, each and a monoclonal antibody antibody recognizing denatured albumen allergens are used in combination a different epitope, which method comprises the following steps:
- (a) allowing the first anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody bound to an insolubilized carrier to trap the albumen allergen in the sample;
- (b) allowing the labeled second anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody to react with the albumen allergen in the sample trapped by the first anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody; and

(c) analyzing the albumen allergen in the sample qualitatively and quantitatively.

104. (Currently amended) The A method for detecting albumen allergens in a sample according to claim 103, wherein the denatured albumen allergens in the sample are detected by immunochromatography using two types of anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody antibodies, a first and a second monoclonal antibody, recognizing native albumen allergens and/or denatured albumen allergens is an anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody a reduced carboxymethylated ovalbumin, each recognizing a different epitope, which method comprises the following steps:

- (a) preparing an antigen-antibody complex in which the albumen allergen is bound to the first anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody, labeled with gold colloid;
- (b) allowing the antigen-antibody complex to move on a test strip by capillary action; and
- (c) analyzing qualitatively the albumen allergen according to the presence or absence of a colored line appearing by a trapping of the antigen-antibody complex by the fixed second anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody.
- 105. (Currently amended) The method for detecting albumen allergens according to claim 103, wherein the <u>anti-ovalbumin</u> monoclonal <u>antibody antibodies</u> recognizing <u>native albumen</u> allergens and/or denatured albumen allergens is an anti-ovomucoid monoclonal antibody a reduced carboxymethylated ovalbumin are the anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody PDOA1 produced by hybridoma (FERM BP-10275) and/or the anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody PDOA2 produced by hybridoma (FERM BP-10276).
- 106. (Withdrawn) A method for detecting flour allergens, wherein an anti-flour gliadin monoclonal antibody recognizing a native flour gliadin and a flour gliadin solubilized with a denaturant is used.
- 107. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting flour allergens according to claim 106, wherein the anti-flour gliadin monoclonal antibody recognizes a native flour gliadin, a reduced-

carboxymethylated flour gliadin, a flour gliadin solubilized with 0.1 M acetate, a flour gliadin solubilized with 70% ethanol, and a flour gliadin solubilized with a denaturant.

108. (Withdrawn) A method for detecting buckwheat allergens, wherein an anti-buckwheat crude protein monoclonal antibody recognizing a native buckwheat crude protein and a heat-denatured buckwheat crude protein is used.

109. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting buckwheat allergens according to claim 108, wherein the anti-buckwheat crude protein monoclonal antibody recognizes a 24Da protein and a heat-denatured buckwheat crude protein, or an anti-buckwheat crude protein monoclonal antibody recognizing a 76kDa protein and a native buckwheat crude protein.

110. (Withdrawn) A method for detecting peanut allergens, wherein an anti-Ara h1 protein monoclonal antibody recognizing a native peanut Ara h1 protein and a heat-denatured peanut Ara h1 protein is used.

111. (Withdrawn) The method for detecting peanut allergens according to claim 110, wherein the anti-Ara h1 protein monoclonal antibody recognizes a native Ara h1 protein and a native peanut crude protein, and/or an urea-treated Ara h1 protein and an urea-treated peanut crude protein.

112. (New) The method for detecting albumen allergens according to claim 104, wherein the anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibodies recognizing a reduced carboxymethylated ovalbumin are the anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody PDOA1 produced by hybridoma (FERM BP-10275) and/or the anti-ovalbumin monoclonal antibody PDOA2 produced by hybridoma (FERM BP-10276).